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CHAIR'S WELCOME



Welcome Delegates, Candidates and Observers—

2016 was an exciting year for the LPF and liberty at large. While many strides were made and the party grew in voters, members, affiliates, and donations, much remains to be done. This convention is a forward looking convention. Not only are we electing officers, but we're doing work on the constitution, by-laws, and standing rules. But it doesn't stop there. We have excellent opportunities to organize ourselves and unify the party like never before.

It is unity that we need more than anything else. A team works best when all its members pull in the same direction. This is a non-trivial task in the LPF. The LPF is populated by passionate, intelligent people who often have different views. But let us take these words to heart: Reasonable men may disagree.

Note the two most important parts: Reasonable and Disagree. If you're unreasonable, then you forfeit any expectation to civilized meaningful dialog. If you go beyond disagreement, you also forfeit any expectation to civilized, meaningful dialog.

We have plenty to disagree about, but so much more to agree on.

Let's spend this time finding common ground and unifying everywhere we can. Leave the differences for talk around the pub and in other local settings.

The opportunity could not be greater. With the dissolution of the Independent Party of Florida, a Trump presidency, The Florida Constitutional Revision Commission, a pending slew of local races, and a gubernatorial race on the horizon, now is the time to come

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together and show Florida there is not only another way, but a better way. We have to live that better way so that when we are talking to them, we have maximum credibility.

NOW is the time to get involved with growing the party. Work with your local affiliate. If you don't have one, form one. Get on one of the LPF committees.

BE A CANDIDATE!

We need good candidates, and everyone who is a team player and LPF member is more than qualified to go to Tallahassee and show the world what Libertarianism means.

In the spirit of team work let's all come together and build a great party for 2017 and beyond!



Char-Lez Braden, Chair

Libertarian Party of Florida



SCHEDULE



FRIDAY MAY 5

- 3:00pm Registration Opens
- 5:00pm Orientation
- 5:30pm Hesham El-Meligy from Muslims For Liberty
- 6:30pm **Reception with Bernard von NotHaus (Paid Event)**
- 7:30pm "Luau" on the Beach (Free Beer!)
- 8:30pm Hillsborough Libertarians' Pizza Party Nite
(In the Turn2Liberty Hospitality Suite)
- 11:00pm How to Eat Pizza by James M. Ray
(In the LPF Hospitality Suite)

SUNDAY MAY 7

- 8:30am **Brunch with Larry Sharpe (Paid Event)**
- 9:30am Leveraging Voter Data with Joshua Folsom
- 10:00am Resumption of Business Meeting
 - Opening Speaker: Steve Scheetz
 - Unfinished Business
 - Caucuses for Regional Representatives
 - Bylaw Revisions
 - Motions from the Floor

SATURDAY MAY 6

- 7:30am **Breakfast with Lauren Rumpler (Paid Event)**
- 8:00am Registration & Check-In
- 9:30am Start of Business Meeting
 - Opening Speaker: Tom Regnier
 - Officer Reports
 - Nominations for Party Offices
 - Platform Revisions
- 1:00pm **Lunch with Matt Welch (Paid Event)**
- 2:30pm Party Efficiency & Processes with Alison Foxall
- 3:30pm Resumption of Business Meeting
 - Second Call for Nominations
 - Officer/Director Elections
 - Constitutional Revisions
- 5:30pm John Wayne Smith Memorial Society Pizza Party
(In the Wiseman for Governor Hospitality Suite)
- 6:30pm Party Unity with Randy Wiseman (In the LPF HS)
- 7:30pm **Dinner with Tom DiLorenzo (Paid Event)**
 - LPF Fundraiser with Larry Sharpe
- 8:45pm Celebrating Florida's Elected Libertarians
(In the Vice Chair Recuero Hospitality Suite)

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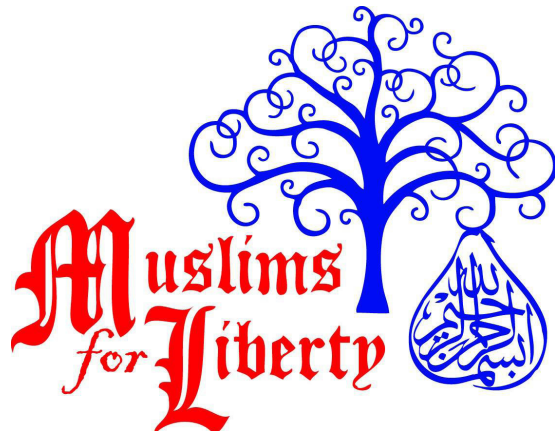
FRIDAY EVENING BREAKOUT

HESHAM EL-MELIGY

Friday Breakout Session



Hesham El-Meligy is the Chairman of the Staten Island Libertarian Party and co-founder of Muslims for Liberty. He was the Libertarian Party nominee for NYC Comptroller in 2013. An interfaith and community leader, he co-founded the Building Bridges Interfaith Coalition and received the Peace Maker Award from Peace Action in 2009. He is a political, national security, and law enforcement analyst, Middle East and Muslim world expert, with native fluency in Arabic and more than 25 years living experience in the Middle East.



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FRIDAY RECEPTION

The Libertarian Party of Florida is delighted to provide hors d'oeuvres, coffee, tea, and alcoholic beverages (with purchase of reception ticket or meal package) for our delegates and attendees.

BERNARD VON NOTHAUS

*Session: Sound Money and Evolution
Towards World Peace*



Bernard von NotHaus is the creator of the Liberty Dollar and co-founder of the Royal Hawaiian Mint Company, in Hawaii, U.S.A. He created the Free Marijuana Church of Honolulu. Von NotHaus was convicted of counterfeiting in 2011 for his promotion of the Liberty Dollar as a private barter currency. He was baselessly accused by commentators of promoting alternative currencies for the purpose of domestic terrorism.

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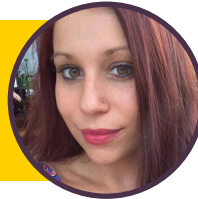
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SATURDAY BREAKFAST

LAUREN RUMPLER

Breakfast With Lauren



Lauren Rumpler, popularly known as Objectivist Girl, has been speaking on philosophy on shows like Anarchast, is a former guest-host of Free Talk Live, and has interviewed incredible guests like Penn Jillette. She is the host of the True Objective Podcast, dispelling the myths of our society by incorporating meditation, internal martial arts, philosophy, non-violent communication, neuroscience, and amazing guests to teach the real meaning of liberty. Lauren takes Ayn Rand's message of "the revolution of the mind" and takes it one step farther by helping to evolve the mind to its optimal state.

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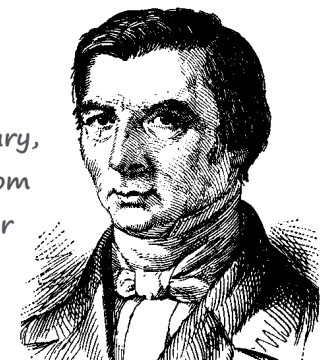
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*Let us be ten, five, or even two if necessary,
but let us raise the flag of absolute freedom
and absolute principle, and let us wait for
those with the same faith to join us.*

- Frédéric Bastiat





ROBERT'S RULES CHEAT SHEET



Robert's Rules of Order Motions Cheat Sheet

Based on Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (10th Edition)

Note: Please stand and move to the microphone to be recognized by the Chair.

Part 1, Main Motions. Listed in order of precedence. A motion can be introduced if it is higher in the table than the pending motion.

PURPOSE:	YOU SAY:	INTERRUPT?	2ND?	DEBATE?	AMEND?	VOTE?
Close meeting	I move to adjourn	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Take break	I move to recess for ...	No	Yes	No	Yes	Majority
Register complaint	I rise to a question of privilege	Yes	No	No	No	None
Make follow agenda	I call for the orders of the day	Yes	No	No	No	None
Lay aside temporarily	I move to lay the question on the table	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Close debate	I move the previous question	No	Yes	No	No	2/3
Limit or extend debate	I move that debate be limited to ...	No	Yes	No	Yes	2/3
Postpone to a certain time	I move to postpone the motion to ...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Refer to committee	I move to refer the motion to ...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Modify wording of motion	I move to amend the motion by ...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Kill main motion	I move that the motion be postponed indefinitely	No	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
Bring business before assembly (a main motion)	I move that [or "to"] ...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority

Part 2, Incidental Motions. No order of precedence. These motions arise incidentally and are decided immediately.

PURPOSE:	YOU SAY:	INTERRUPT?	2ND?	DEBATE?	AMEND?	VOTE?
Enforce rules	Point of Order	Yes	No	No	No	None
Submit matter to assembly	I appeal from the decision of the chair	Yes	Yes	Varies	No	Majority
Suspend rules	I move to suspend the rules	No	Yes	No	No	2/3
Avoid main motion altogether	I object to the consideration of the question	Yes	No	No	No	2/3
Divide motion	I move to divide the question	No	Yes	No	Yes	Majority
Demand a rising vote	I move for a rising vote	Yes	No	No	No	None
Parliamentary law question	Parliamentary inquiry	Yes	No	No	No	None
Request for information	Point of information	Yes	No	No	No	None

Part 3, Motions That Bring a Question Again Before the Assembly. No order of precedence. Introduce only when nothing else is pending.

PURPOSE:	YOU SAY:	INTERRUPT?	2ND?	DEBATE?	AMEND?	VOTE?
Take matter from table	I move to take from the table ...	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Cancel previous action	I move to rescind ...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	2/3 or Majority with notice
Reconsider motion	I move to reconsider ...	No	Yes	Varies	No	Majority

BUSINESS MEETING



A brief overview of the business meeting agenda.

For the more detailed version, please see docs.lpf.org/agenda

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

TOM REGNIER

Opening Speaker



Tom Regnier began as an activist in the Libertarian Party of Florida in 1995, when he became secretary of the Broward County LP. In 1997 and 1998, during the Constitution Revision Commission process, he was a leader in the successful drive to achieve equal ballot access for minor parties in Florida by amending the state constitution. The LPF named him Florida Libertarian of the Year in 1997 and 1999.

Tom's work on the ballot access project inspired him to enter law school. He entered the University of Miami School of Law in 2000 and earned his J.D., summa cum laude, in 2003. He also earned an LL.M. from Columbia Law School in 2009, where he was a Harlan F. Stone scholar. As a lawyer, Tom has concentrated on appellate work, both civil and criminal, and today he has his own law practice, Tom Regnier Appeals, P.A.

NOMINATIONS FOR LPF OFFICES

OFFICER REPORTS & COMMENTS

PLATFORM, CONSTITUTION, & BYLAW REVISIONS

ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

WHERE ARE THE GOVERNING DOCS?

2017 Convention Agenda

» docs.lpf.org/agenda

Motions for Consideration

» docs.lpf.org/motions

2016 Convention Minutes

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Submit a Motion to the Floor

» docs.lpf.org/floor

Platform

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LPF Constitution

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LPF Bylaws

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LPF Standing Rules

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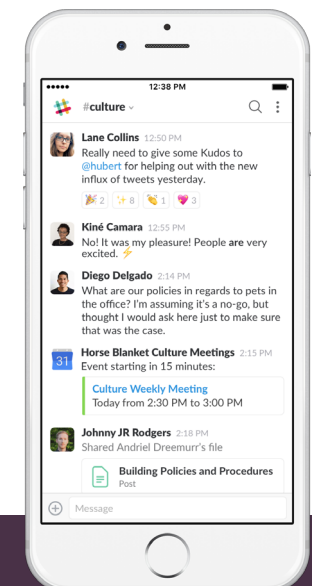
Note: We prefer you to submit a motion to the floor through the webform at the URL above so we can read it clearly. If you didn't bring your device (phone, tablet, or laptop), we have paper forms to fill out as well. **Once you submit your motion online, stand and move to a microphone to be recognized by the Chair.**



CHAT WITH DELEGATES REAL TIME!

Chat on Slack while the business meeting is going on in the [#lplibcon](https://lplibcon.slack.com) public channel. Most EC members have accounts, as well as many members.

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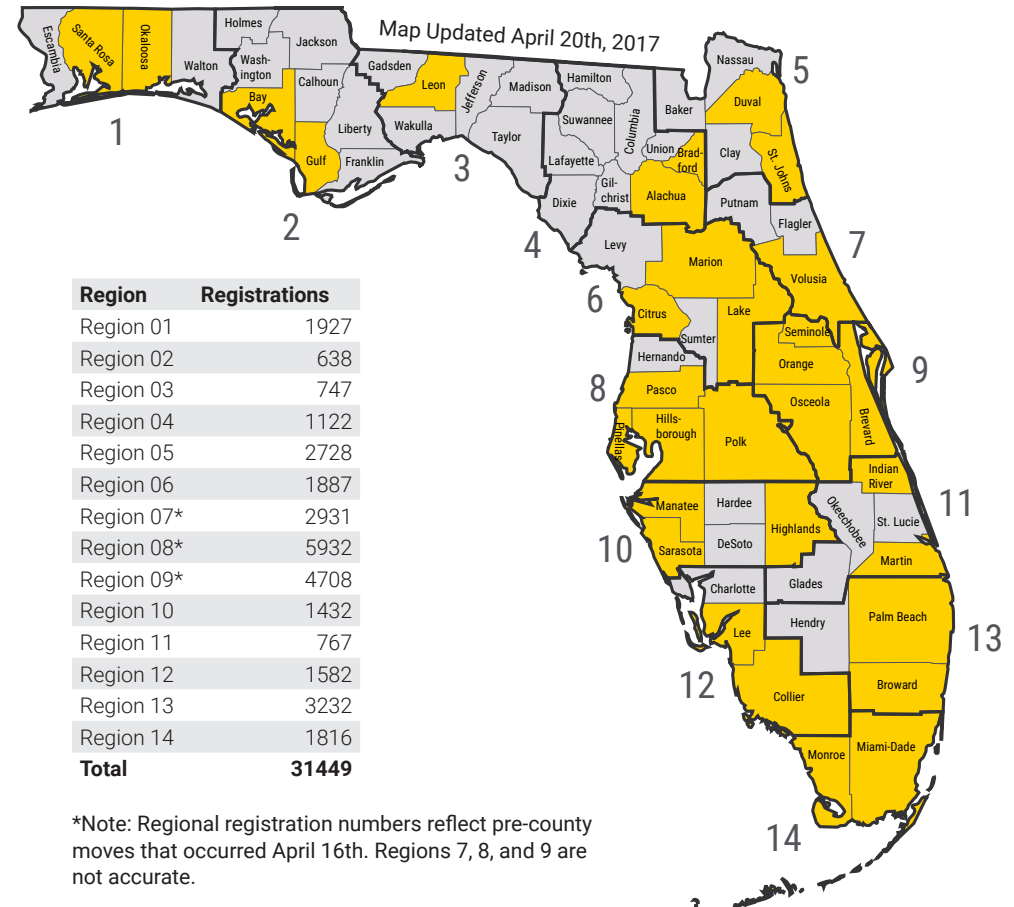
PARTY STATS

The tables below represent Libertarian voter registration counts by county, ordered from greatest to least. Thanks to Joshua Folsom, Region 3 Representative and Membership Committee Member, for compiling the numbers. **As of March 2017, the LPF currently has about 31,500 registered voters, an 18% increase from a year prior.**

County	Registrations	Region
Hillsborough	2404	Region 08
Pinellas	2248	Region 08
Orange	2158	Region 09
Duval	2038	Region 05
Palm Beach	1713	Region 13
Dade	1619	Region 14
Broward	1496	Region 13
Brevard	1258	Region 09
Volusia	993	Region 07
Seminole	980	Region 07
Pasco	967	Region 08
Polk	925	Region 09
Lee	840	Region 12
Alachua	827	Region 04
Sarasota	774	Region 10
Escambia	674	Region 01
St. Johns	663	Region 07
Leon	619	Region 03
Marion	607	Region 06
Okaloosa	579	Region 01
Manatee	542	Region 10
Santa Rosa	539	Region 01
Bay	523	Region 02
Collier	484	Region 12
Lake	471	Region 06
Clay	434	Region 05
Levy	401	Region 06
Osceola	367	Region 09
Hernando	313	Region 08
St. Lucie	300	Region 11
Citrus	277	Region 06
Charlotte	258	Region 12
Nassau	232	Region 05
Indian River	225	Region 11

Martin	208	Region 11
Flagler	201	Region 07
Monroe	197	Region 14
Walton	135	Region 01
Sumter	131	Region 06
Columbia	116	Region 04
Putnam	94	Region 07
Highlands	74	Region 10
Suwannee	55	Region 04
Wakulla	47	Region 03
Bradford	45	Region 04
Washington	37	Region 02
Jackson	34	Region 02
Gadsden	28	Region 03
Gilchrist	28	Region 04
Okeechobee	25	Region 11
Baker	24	Region 05
Hendry	23	Region 13
Madison	21	Region 03
Hardee	20	Region 10
Gulf	19	Region 02
Union	19	Region 04
Taylor	18	Region 03
Dixie	15	Region 04
Jefferson	14	Region 03
Franklin	13	Region 02
Holmes	12	Region 10
Calhoun	11	Region 02
Hamilton	11	Region 04
De Soto	10	Region 10
Glades	9	Region 11
Lafayette	6	Region 04
Liberty	1	Region 02

AFFILIATE & REGION MAP



SATURDAY LUNCH

MATT WELCH

Lunch With Matt

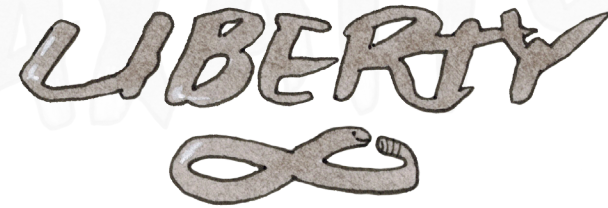


Matt Welch is editor at large of *Reason*, the libertarian magazine of "Free Minds and Free Markets." He served as *Reason's* editor in chief from 2008-2016. He is co-author, along with Nick Gillespie, of the 2011 book *The Declaration of Independents: How Libertarian Politics Can Fix What's Wrong With America*, which Tyler Cowen called "the up-to-date statement of libertarianism." Welch also wrote the 2007 book *McCain: The Myth of a Maverick*.

Reason has been a Western Publications Association magazine of the year finalist every year under Welch's leadership, winning five total first-place Maggie awards, as well as another 18 first-place notices from the Greater Los Angeles Press Club. Welch himself has won eight first-place L.A. Press Club awards over the years, for work on subjects ranging from Jackie Robinson to Cuba to the "banal authoritarianism" of Thomas L. Friedman and David Brooks. From December 2013 to January 2015 he was co-host of the nightly Fox Business Network program *The Independents*.

Welch's work has appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, CNN.com, ESPN.com, *The Hardball Times*, *The Columbia Journalism Review*, Salon.com, *Commentary*, *LA Weekly*, *Orange County Register*, and scores of other publications. He is a frequent guest on MSNBC, Fox News, Fox Business Network, CNN, public radio, and AM radio stations from coast to coast.

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON BREAKOUT

ALISON FOXALL

LPF Director-at-Large (1)

Session: Party Efficiency & Processes



Alison Foxall is an Inbound Marketing Executive living in the Tampa Bay area. She received her Bachelors of Fine Arts in Mass Communications at the International Academy of Design and Technology. Alison partners a digital web and marketing firm called Gobble Logic which serves local, national, and global clientele.

Alison's main role in the party has been to improve internal structures, processes, and workflows. In this session we'll be discussing how to turn nightmarish party operations into more pleasant, efficient operations. Join her Saturday afternoon to talk tech, project management, and automation.

SATURDAY EVENING BREAKOUT

Note: This session will take place in the LPF Hospitality Suite.



RANDY WISEMAN

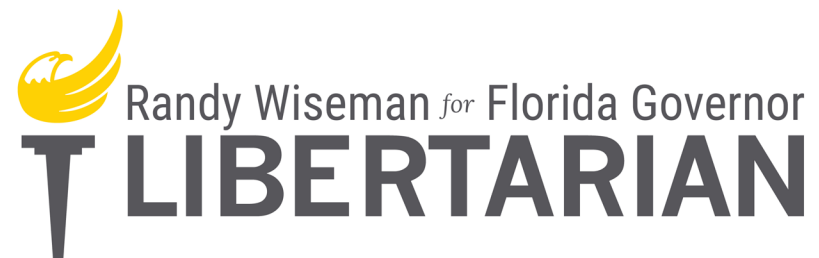
Libertarian Candidate for Florida Governor

Session: Party Unity

As an active member of St. Edwards Episcopal Church in Mt. Dora, FL, Randy has volunteered with his church youth group and takes part in readings during Sunday services.

In 1968, Randy graduated from Hialeah High School in Hialeah, FL and soon after attended Miami Dade Community College. Later, while attending Murray State University in Murray, KY, he met his wife, LuAnne Wiseman.

Randy and LuAnne have been married for 45 years. Together they have three grown sons, Lucas, Brett, and Joshua. One is married to a woman, one is married to a man, and one is very private.



SATURDAY DINNER

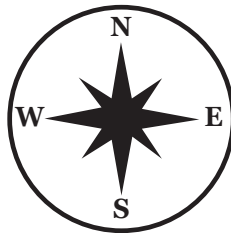
THOMAS JAMES DILORENZO

*Session: How Cultural Marxism is
Destroying American Universities*



Thomas James DiLorenzo is an American economics professor at Loyola University Maryland Sellinger School of Business. He identifies himself as an adherent of the Austrian School of economics. He is a research fellow at The Independent Institute, a senior fellow of the Ludwig von Mises Institute, Board of Advisors member at CFACT, a member of the Mont Pelerin Society, and an associate of the Abbeville Institute. He holds a Ph.D. in Economics from Virginia Tech.

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SUNDAY BRUNCH

LARRY SHARPE

Brunch With Larry



Larry Sharpe provides training, coaching and consulting to many industries including: finance, law, technology, media and government. He has trained and coached hundreds of executives, entrepreneurs, leaders and employees from dozens of organizations all over the world.

Larry has been an interim senior executive for companies in times of crisis; filling a senior post and helping them find a replacement. He also consults with law firms for jury selection and trial prep. And he consults with political campaigns on strategy and debate prep. He is also a professional speaker and has presented at dozens of venues to a wide range of audiences throughout the US, Europe and Asia.

He has a varied background which began as a US Marine. After the Marines, Larry became an English teacher for a few years and then worked in several B-to-C and B-to-B sales positions. In 2001, he started Prime Distribution Inc., but sold this business after two years. Larry founded Neo-Sage® in 2004 and has been training top-tier professionals ever since. He has been an interim Executive VP and Sales VP for public companies and an executive coach for senior and C-Suite management.



SUNDAY BREAKOUT

JOSHUA FOLSOM

LPF Regional Representative (3)
Session: Leveraging Voter Data



Joshua Folsom is a life-long resident of Tallahassee, Florida. Currently he serves as the Chair of the Leon County Libertarian Executive Committee, Region 3 Representative to the LPF, and as a member of the platform, membership, and communications committees. On the membership committee, Joshua's primary responsibility is to collect and process data from the Florida Department of State's Division of Elections for integration into the LPF's CRM database.

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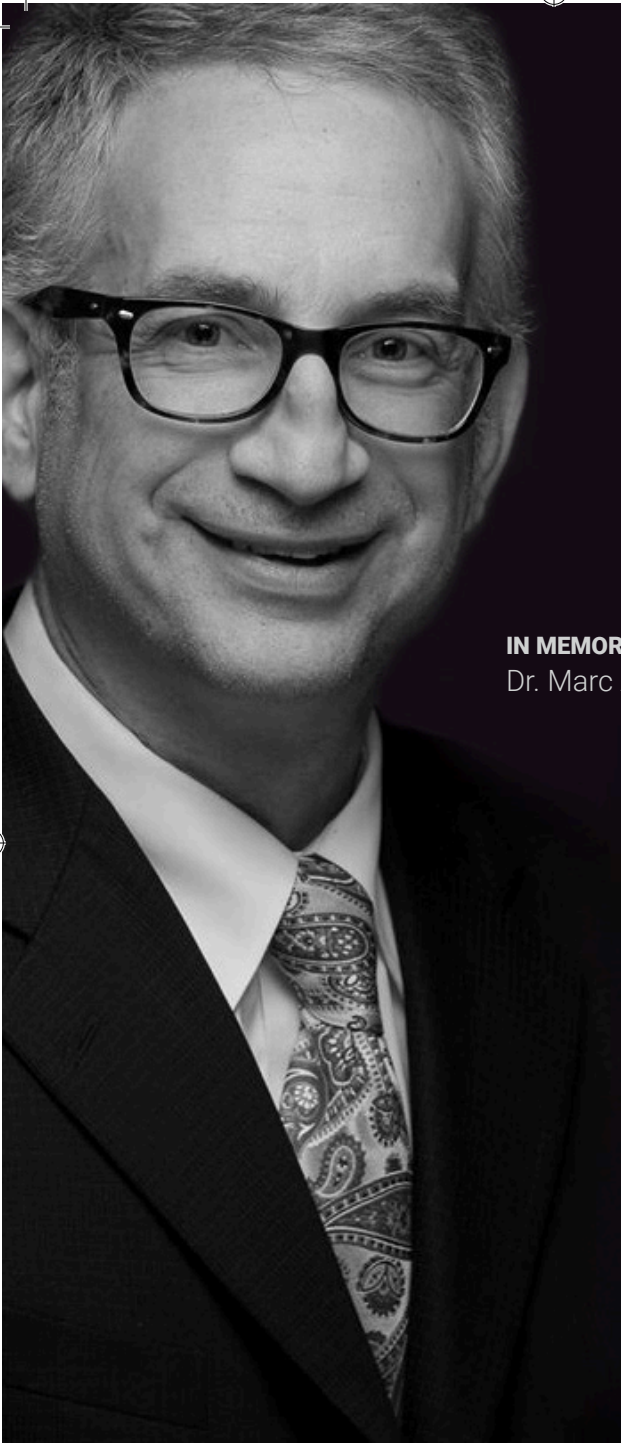
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